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## **AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:**

Without prejudice, this listing of the claims replaces all prior versions and listings of the claims in the present application:

## **LISTING OF THE CLAIMS:**

- 1-5. (Canceled).
- 6. (Currently Amended) A method for <u>providing</u> digital data transmission <u>of sensor values</u> from a sensor to a control unit, <u>the sensor values generated from characteristics measured by the sensor, the method</u> comprising:

dividing the sensor values of the sensor for data transmission at different resolutions, the sensor values forming a first range of values including successive sensor values; and

dividing the first range of values as a function of a variable relevant for the control unit.

7. (Previously Presented) The method as recited in Claim 6, wherein:

the variable is a second range of sensor values for threshold values of a triggering algorithm for a restraining device, and

the sensor values in the second range of values are transmitted from the sensor to the control unit at a higher resolution.

- 8. (Previously Presented) The method as recited in Claim 7, wherein the second range of values is selected from a lower half of the first range of values.
- 9. (Previously Presented) The method as recited in Claim 6, wherein the method is executed by a transmitter module in the sensor.
- 10. (Previously Presented) The method as recited in Claim 6, wherein the method is executed by a receiver module in a control unit.
- 11. (Previously Presented) The method as recited in Claim 6, wherein:

the variable is a second range of sensor values for threshold values of a triggering algorithm for a restraining device,

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the sensor values in the second range of values are transmitted from the sensor to the control unit at a higher resolution,

the second range of values is selected from a lower half of the first range of values, and

the operations are executed by a transmitter module in the sensor.

## 12. (Previously Presented) The method as recited in Claim 6, wherein:

the variable is a second range of sensor values for threshold values of a triggering algorithm for a restraining device,

the sensor values in the second range of values are transmitted from the sensor to the control unit at a higher resolution,

the second range of values is selected from a lower half of the first range of values, and

the operations are executed by a receiver module in a control unit.

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